



**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
for
Wednesday, November 9, 2005
4:00 P.M. – Council Chamber Boardroom
and
5:30 P.M. - Art Pick Council Chambers
3900 Main Street, Riverside, CA**

CASE REVIEW – 4:00 P.M.

Case Review Roll Call

Brewer	Davidson	Garcia	Gardner	Ward	Pearcy	Corral	Castro	Quinto	Arreola
✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓

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Public Comment

Ms. Mary Shelton spoke regarding the Lane case.

Closed Session – Case Reviews

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the Commission adjourned to Closed Session at 4:15 p.m. to discuss issues pertaining to PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL MATTERS.

	<u>CPRC CASE NO.</u>	<u>IA CASE NO.</u>
1)	04-081	P3-04-341-246
2)	05-021	PC-05-081-272
3)	05-032	PC-05-088-335
4)	05-042	PC-05-116-133
5)	05-048	PC-05-130-270
6)	05-049	PC-05-139-214

The Commission recessed at 5:30 P.M. to reconvene in the Council Chambers.

OPEN SESSION – 5:30 P.M.

**The following proceedings have been digitally recorded.
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Chairman Gardner led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Gardner asked Ms. Sherron to confirm commissioner attendance.

REGULAR MEETING – ROLL CALL

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Chairman Gardner asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Firefighter Eduardo Teran, who passed away on Saturday, November 5, 2005, while working a residential structure fire.

Public Comments

Mary Shelton spoke regarding police issues and the Summer Lane case. Ms Shelton said that there are still serious problems in RPD.

Officer-Involved Death Cases

The Commission discussed its current method of handling officer-involved death cases (OIDs). Chairman Gardner noted that it would be helpful to have the Department give periodic updates re status of case in addition to the initial briefing. He also noted that the Commission is looking for ways of moving the process along more quickly while doing justice to reporting out to the public.

Commissioner Quinto suggested that, when at the NACOLE Conference, commissioners should poll other conference attendees about how their agencies handle OIDs.

Vice-Chair Percy noted that the Lane case moved along in a fairly timely manner based on changes made to the process. He said he couldn't think of anything that could have been done to speed up the process. He said it would be helpful if the Commission could get the criminal casebook at the same time it's sent to the DA.

Commissioner Ward said he would like the Commission to consider the investigative method of the CPRC investigator. He also said he would like the investigator to offer a finding. He suggested that commissioners begin reviewing an OID casebook as soon as it's submitted. He also would like the Commission to stop comparing its investigation, as in number of witnesses interviewed, with RPD's investigation.

Exec. Dir. Payne said it is the Commission's responsibility to get to the truth. Dr. Payne said that if the Commission's investigator didn't interview someone interviewed by RPD, it would be good to know. He agreed that commissioners should start looking at cases as soon as they come in.

Dr. Payne said this year was a little different as two new commissioners came on board, but said there is always room for improvement. He said that, overall, he felt the Commission was doing a good job handling OIDs. He said it would be interesting to learn how are other commissions handle OIDs. He said it would also be helpful to know what programs they have regarding the training of commissioners. He said he would be looking for answers to those questions while attending the NACOLE Conference.

Dr. Ron Bailey complimented the Commission on its handling of the Lane case. He also said he would like to see the Commission encourage RPD to attend meetings.

Dr. Bailey said he attended the NACOLE Conference when it was held in Los Angeles and noted that other agencies seem to be "stymied" by the DA's Office.

Mary Shelton said that RPD briefings are helpful, but that things were said during the Lane briefing for which there was no factual information. Ms. Shelton said the OID process should be streamlined so that cases are finalized within the one-year time frame.

Chairman Gardner noted that commissioners could get ideas while at NACOLE, noting that the Commission needs to get through all cases as quickly as possible, not just OIDs.

December Regular Meeting

The NACOLE Conference, originally scheduled to be held Oct. 23 – 26 in Miami, was rescheduled due to Hurricane Wilma. Because the rescheduled conference date conflicted with the Commission's December Regular Meeting date of December 14, the Commission discussed other dates available for its December meeting.

After discussion of the options available, Vice-Chair Percy made a motion to change the December Regular Meeting to December 5, 2005. Commissioner Ward seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Ward asked that, when the Commission is briefed by RPD regarding an officer-involved death, the minutes include a transcript of that briefing. He asked that the minutes for October 12 be amended to include a transcript of the RPD briefing regarding the Terry Rabb incident.

Minutes for Approval	Motion	Second	Approve	Oppose	Abstain
October 12 Regular Meeting – as amended	Percy	Ward	6	0	1
October 26 Special Meeting	Ward	Brewer	6	0	1
November 2 Special Meeting	Brewer	Ward	5	0	2

Executive Director's Report & Comments

Executive Director Payne had no report or comments.

Committee Reports

- A) Outreach Committee – Brian Percy, Chair
- Outreach marketing items are on order;
 - Staff presented the Committee with a copy of the outreach poster, which will be distributed to areas for public view;
 - hope to have quality review survey ready by next month for presentation to full commission;
 - in process of identifying new outreach opportunities
 - looking for ways to notify families of individuals involved in officer-involved deaths of the existence of the Commission

Dr. Payne noted that outreach efforts have been focused on groups that haven't heard of the Commission, not those groups that already know about it. He thanked Commissioner Percy for his support and endorsement.

- B) Budget Committee – Bob Garcia, Chair
The Chair was not present.
- C) Policy & Procedure Review Committee - Jack Brewer, Chair
There was no meeting in October.
- D) Internal Evaluation Ad-hoc Committee – Jim Ward, Chair
There was no meeting in October.

Chairman Gardner asked if it was the Commission's desire to go back into closed session to finish case review. Vice-Chair Percy moved that the case review be continued on November 16. Commissioner Davidson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Adjournment

The Commission adjourned at 6:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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